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Senate again seeks committee votes denied in 2004-05

AARON HAGEN EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

Student Senate has passed a resolution to reinstate the student vote on two faculty committees.

Resolution 21 was passed unanimously Thursday, followed by a round of applause and a group hug involving members of the senate.

The resolution is to submit the proposal to faculty committees to try to get a student vote on the Educational Policy Committee (EPC) and the General Education Committee (GPC).

Student body president Eva Sersland said the process of finalizing the document was a long one, but in the end, it was worth it.

The student vote was taken away effective the 2004-2005 school year. Each year since, the student senate has tried to reinstate the vote, but they have been unsuccessful.

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Seniors end fall efforts to raise money for gift About 20 percent participate

SNEHA PRADHAN STAFF WRITER

Approximately 20 percent of seniors participated in the senior class challenge during the fall campaign.

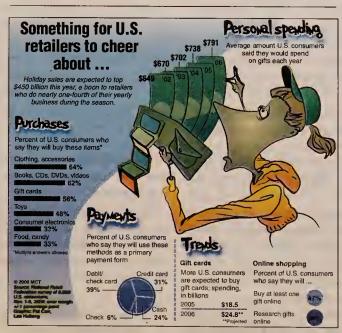
The challenge is intended to encourage seniors to participate or show their support for Wartburg by making a monetary gift to the college.

"The main goal of the senior class challenge is to encourage graduating se-

niors to participate in the challenge. Our goal is not how much money we can raise, but our participation rate—what percent of the class gives to the challenge," Katie Jo Kuhens, co-chair of the 2006-2007 senior class challenge, said.

The official kick-off for the campaign was held Oct. 30 with senior movie knight in the ballrooms. Approxi-

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Roland Ferrie/Trumpet

Holiday cheer!

Craig Hancock directs members of the Wind Ensemble Wednesday at a dress rehearsal for Christmas with Wartburg.

Applications for next year increase

KATIE MEYER STAFF WRITER

The number of applications for Wartburg's 2007-2008 school year has increased by approximately 18 percent more than the number of applications received last year at this time.

Last year, Wartburg had received 944 applications from prospective students. This year the number of applications is up to 1,157.

"We are still finalizing the Admissions goals for the class entering 2007-2008," Edie Waldstein, vice president for enrollment management, said. "In general, though, they are very similar to the goals we had coming into this year: Bring in a class of approximately 550 new

students, first-year and transfer students combined, and retain or improve the other qualitative features of that entering class."

Waldstein does not necessarily foresee an increase in enrollment numbers, however. "Our goal for the incoming class is roughly the same size as it was this year," Waldstein said. "With increased applications, we have more opportunity to shape the class according to qualitative goals we have set."

Waldstein also believes the increasing usage of electronic applications has contributed to the increasing applicant numbers.

Waldstein also attributes the rise in the number of applications submitted to the work of

the admissions office. "We have had and continue to have excellent leadership in that office as well," Waldstein said.

According to Brent Matthias, assistant vice president for admissions, the admissions department has made changes in its approach to reach prospective students.

"We have changed our geographical territories around to focus on your admissions staff's strengths," Matthias said. "We have also focused on our building relationships with the prospects and their parents."

Final potential enrollment will be determined in May of 2007.

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Students camp overnight for Fray tickets

LAURA GREVAS NEWS EDITOR

First day ticket sales for he Fray with Mute Math exceeded total sales for ETK's large event last year. Sold Monday were 742 student tickets, more than half of Neumann Auditorium's 1,198 seating capacity.

About 30 seats were removed

for technical equipment, and 100 were reserved for the bands themselves, although these seats may be available if the bands do not use all of them, according to ETK.

Andrew Salvaterra was one of a small group of students who camped outside overnight

in anticipation of grabbing the best seats. He and his friend Tyler Urich have seen The Fray in concert four times already and have talked to the band about coming to Wartburg.

"We told [ETK] if they brought

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Tickets go on sale to public this week

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The Fray, we would stay outside overnight. They kept their end of the deal, so we had to do ours," Salvaterra, a senior, said of his overnighter that began at 10:30 p.m. Sunday. More students began to trickle in around 6 a.m., and by 7 a.m. the line was backed up past the concrete benches of Hamm Platz.

Many students said they were annoyed by the slow movement of the ticket line. "I thought it was a very slow process from the transaction of my money to the time I received my ticket," Chris Lambertz, a junior, said.

"People have to keep in mind we had to enter their information in. If they had already bought Artist Series tickets, they would go through the system more quickly," Sarah Glascock, director of campus programming, said.

One advantage of the new ticketing system is that it allows any student who loses his or her ticket to obtain a replacement, according to Glascock.

Approximately \$10,000 in ticket sales will help offset the cost of the bands, as does the \$60 annual activity fee paid by each student. According to ETK, The Fray is in the same price range as past main events. Though main event tickets in the past have cost from \$5-\$8, this year's \$10 price tag "is reflective of both a big-name event and significant programming throughout the year."

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Roland Ferrie/Trumper

Seniors Andrew Salvaterra, middle, and Tyler Urich, right, who waited outside overnight to be first in line for tickets to see The Fray, purchase their tickets.

tickets were sold, and 154 are still left available for sale.

Students who are currently abroad or at Wartburg West were allowed to have other students purchase tickets for them, provided they contacted ETK in advance of the ticket sales to specify who would be

purchasing their tickets.

"We didn't want those students to have tickets guaranteed and then have students who were physically here be turned away," Nicole Erspamer, large event coordinator, said.

The last act to sell out to a capacity of 1,198 was comedian

Bill Engvall. Singer Chris Cagle's performance last year sold fewer than 700 tickets.

Tickets still available go on sale to the general public this week online or at the information desk for \$25 each.

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Local colleges polled to support student involvement

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This year, the team who put the proposal together feel they have strong arguments.

"It hasn't worked in any of those previous years, but this is the most extensive document that has ever gone to the faculty committee," Sersland said. "We've spent more time researching the issue and we have a lot of thought that has gone into it. We've done our homework essentially." According to the proposal, 19 different colleges were polled, and of those, 12 have student votes on these committees.

Some faculty are still not convinced. One of these is Chip Bouzard, professor of religion.

"I was on the faculty review committee when this came up the first time and supported the resolution to raise to the situation we are at right now," Bouzard said. "I remain persuaded that it was probably a good decision."

Brian Jones, associate professor of religion and chair of the Faculty Review Committee (FRC), has not seen the proposal yet.

"I think they have put together good arguments, and as soon as it's forwarded to us on FRC, we'll do something," Jones said. "I don't think it will go through. The original reasons that the faculty decided to change the student vote on those committees have not gone away, and there has been nothing that's changed."

Jones also said the decision to take the vote away in the first place was a difficult decision, but eventually passed by a wide margin. He also said he didn't feel it was appropriate for students to have a vote on the two committees.

Eventually, the faculty may vote on the issue in January or

February.

Sersland thinks that having a vote would be beneficial for the students as a whole.

"I think a vote would make us feel more valued," she said. "The institution is here because of the students, and the students are directly affected by these decisions; and I think students should be in on deciding these things."

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Seniors founded challenge 14 years ago

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mately 30 gifts were given at the event sponsored by ETK and the bookstore.

Senior Knight at the Fainting Goat was another event sponsored by the challenge. More than 65 seniors attended the event that was dubbed as the "quest finale," though the campaign doesn't officially end until May 24, 2007.

The theme for this year is based on "Monty Python and the Holy Grail." The tag line is "A Quest for the Knights who say BE! (Orange)."

The Challenge is a studentdriven campaign that serves as a way for graduating seniors to say "thank you" to the college.

Seniors have the option to

designate their gift to another college department or to the Annual Fund.

"The Annual Fund supports virtually every facet of campus life. It funds scholarships, updates equipment, supports athletic and music programs, promotes student leadership opportunities and enhances co-curricular activities," Kendra Kehe, director of the Annual Fund, said.

The challenge began in 1992 when seniors Bill Petsche and Brent Matthias, now assistant vice-president for admissions, approached Doug Bowman, then-director of the Annual Fund, about how they could give back.

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"Project Hope" to support victims of Katrina

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Project Hope, a new organization formed by students to assist Hurricane Katrina victims now living in Iowa, will host a fund-raiser at 7 p.m. Friday in the McCaskey Lyceum.

Tickets cost \$3 with a Wartburg student ID and are on sale now at the information desk. Adults may purchase tickets for \$5 and children 12 and younger may attend for free. Tickets also will be available at the door before the event.

Katy Kuester, Whitney Free and Kristall Laursen developed the plan as a part of their integrated marketing communications class.

Project Hope, in coordination with the Responding to Katrina Outreach Program, helps more than 1,400 families who have relocated to Iowa since Hurricane Katrina. Proceeds from the concert will be

donated to the Iowa branch of the outreach program.

"The campaign creates awareness in letting others know that the aftermath still exists," Kuester said. "The program is necessary because it assists with making the transition into Iowa easier for the families."

Blues artist Catfish Keith, a native of Washington, Iowa, will provide entertainment for an hour, followed by a forum moderated by Jeff Stein, assistant professor of communication arts.

Representatives of five families affected by Hurricane Katrina will speak about their experiences. Jewelry, pottery, and other artwork by native Louisiana artists Joy Thomas and Georgetta Rush will be available for purchase before the concert.

Instead of promoting the event by using posters, the

group used obtrusive art. Four areas around campus, including areas by the Den, the library, the chapel and Luther Hall, display a scene taken from the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina.

"Our idea was to target different types of people by placing the art around different parts of campus," Kuester said.

Donations from Two Guys Home Interiors, Trinkets and Togs and Spahn and Rose made the displays possible. The art will be on display through

"We really hope people grab onto this and make it a fun, moving night," Kuester said.

Those unable to attend the event may give donations to Kuester at mailbox 879. E-mail katy.kuester@wartburg.edu for more information.

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TRUMPET/People

Lisa Peak homicide remains unsolved today

Wartburg student's murder still a mystery 30 years later; new leads emerge

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Lisa Peak was the kind of girl everybody wanted to know. She had a zest and passion for life that was conta-

She loved to travel and spent her senior year of high school in Brazil.

She was the kind of student everybody noticed around campus. She wore vibrant colors and trendy apparel.

Sept. 6, 1976 was the last day anyone saw Lisa Peak alive. She was wearing a pink blouse.

Before classes convened for her sophomore year, Lisa decided to pick up a few last minute school supplies - a wastebasket and some Scotch tape were among the odds and ends on her list, Mary Peak, her mother, said.

After not returning to her room in Hebron for a prearranged date that evening, Lisa's roommates and friends became worried and contacted authorities the morning of Tuesday, Sept. 7.

According to the Waterloo Cedar Falls Courier archives, Lisa's body was found late the morning of Sept. 7 underneath a cottonwood tree just north of Waverly city limits. An autopsy later

'I wish I could tell you more'

revealed the nature of Lisa's murder. Her neck was broken, and results showed she had been raped.

Prior to her homicide, Lisa played a "key" role in the arrest and convic-

tion of a Mason City sex extortionist.

The Aug. 30, 1977 edition of the Waterloo Cedar Falls Courier reported that John Carmody lured a number of young females to his apartment and photographed them "in compromising positions and [used] those photos as tools to extort money and favors from the women." Mary recalls that Lisa was "pretty shaken up after her kidnapping."

Lisa was introduced to Carmody by a friend at Wartburg. Carmody said he wanted his life story in writing, and Lisa, a journalism major, agreed to in-

When Lisa arrived at his apartment,



Fortress Yearbook '76

Lisa Peak poses for a yearbook picture with her fellow Trumpet staff members.

Carmody had guns on his kitchen ta- five months before her body was found ble; Lisa knew this was more than an interview.

"He told Lisa awful, untrue things and would not let her leave the apartment," Mary said. "(He said) her father was involved with another woman, and he would tell me of this affair if she didn't do what he told her. He said he would kill her sister, too."

With the help of Lisa, Mason City police were able to crack the case. Carmody pleaded guilty to two charges of rape and two charges of extortion, according to Courier archives. He was sentenced to 40 years in prison.

Did Carmody have sources on the outside who could have played a role in Lisa's homicide as an act of revenge?

Former Sheriff Bill Westendorf said he didn't "hold to that theory," according to Courier sources. The possibility was not initially ruled out, but other leads have since surged to the forefront of the continuing investigation.

Strangely enough, two other homicide cases involving young women occurred before Lisa's untimely murder. All three females were strangled.

The body of Julia Benning, then 19, was found near Shell Rock. According to the Courier, she was missing for near a gravel road.

Five years prior to both killings was the murder of Valerie Klossowsky, then 14, whose body was found partiallyclothed three miles west of Denver in

Was there a link between all three

At the time, investigators researched the possibility of a serial murder trail. Accused cross-country mass slayer Allen Anderson was linked to murders around the Midwest. Officials speculated he murdered an Iowa Falls' church organist. Arlene Gehrke was shot two days before Lisa's disappearance, according to Courier sources.

Though these seeming ties could have led to a potential lead and end to a string of mysterious deaths, 30 years have passed without an arrest.

Waverly Police Chief Richard Pursell said the investigation of Lisa Peak is still underway. He said that during the past 30 years, new evidence and leads have come and gone in "spurts." The most recent discussion of the case took place at meeting Wednesday.

"I wish I could tell you more. It would be very interesting," Pursell said. He would not comment further on the discussion or recent leads.

Thirty years later, Lisa's family is still hoping for an arrest.

"We would be very satisfied to know for sure," Mary said. "We think we know who did it, but it's so hard to get him prosecuted. We want to really get

Mary would not reveal the supposed killer's identity.

Still, Mary says she and her husband, Frank, were never angry with the situation surrounding their daughter's

"I was too sad to place blame," she said. "Though, for awhile, I did resent Waverly residents. It was a bright, sunny Labor Day when my daughter disappeared. Surely, some people could have seen Lisa. Why didn't they say anything?"

Mary says her feelings of resentment toward the community have subsided. Two months after Lisa's death, Mary's other daughter, Carmen, was thrown from a horse and died. Shortly after the death of their second daughter, the Peak's home caught on fire.

"Through everything, we've learned

to accept and move on. For a while, we expected it might go on forever. Eventually, you learn that there was nothing we could have done to prevent these

'We have to look after one another'

things from happening," Mary said.

A plaque in honor of Lisa was placed in the former Danforth Chapel.

The cottonwood tree where her body was found has been cut down. Rumors and tales of the "ghost of Lisa Peak" still live on, but the lesson learned will re-

"As college students, be wary of strangers," Mary said. "Sometimes it's easy to think that nothing will happen. Tell your friends where you're going. We have to look after one another."

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SMART campaign indicates students vulnerable to intruders 39 percent of 760 doors on campus found unlocked at 3 a.m. in annual campaign

KATIE MEYER STAFF WRITER

The Sexual Misconduct & Assault Resource Team, called SMART, conducted its second annual door campaign and found that of the 760 doors checked on campus at 3 a.m. recently, 61 percent of dorm doors were locked, and 39 percent were unlocked.

The purpose of SMART's door campaign is to prove the ease with which intruders might break into a student's dorm room or apartment. The failure of students to lock their doors could lead to theft or an assault.

SMART's door campaign was conducted differently this year when compared with last year's campaign. Last year, the team left doorknob hangers on the students' dorm room or apartment doors that indicated whether the door was locked or unlocked. In the case of a door being unlocked, "It put students at risk for theft," Katie LeGrand, SMART presi-

Instead, this year the SMART team slid red and green slips underneath students' doors to avoid potential for break-ins.

However, some students were still awake at 3 a.m. According to LeGrand, although students still may be up, they're not at their peak mental or conscious state and urges those students to consider locking their

Both LeGrand and Sarah Frazell, SMART vice-president, recommend students to dispel the, "Nothing bad will happen to me" mentality.

SMART is planning to conduct another door campaign during winter term.

SMART is also hoping to send a proposal to the University of Northern Iowa and hopes to create a similar door campaign activity with the university as part of a possible resident assistant activity. Additionally, one of SMART's goals is to facilitate conversation among college students.

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Editorials

Students need say in decisions

With the passing of the student vote proposal in student senate last week, interesting issues have arisen.

Students should have a voice on the committee that makes decisions regarding educational policies and education in general. It is the students who pay nearly \$30,000 to attend Wartburg. The students have to live with the decisions that are made, and the students should have a vote in the process.

Some faculty fear that students will not make the best choices. Isn't that why students go to college, to become better, more thoughtful individuals? If the faculty is fearful of the decisions students will make while in college, what confidence do they have in us when we leave?

By giving the vote back, faculty would make a strong statement that students matter, and when classes teach us how to think and how to make good decisions, the faculty believe education actually works.

When and if the proposal makes it to the faculty, the faculty should consider not just the proposal, but the message the faculty will send to students if the request is again denied.

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Letters to the editor

Voting privileges sought

A resolution was passed unanimously in student senate last week that outlines reasons for reinstatement of student voting privileges on the faculty committees of Educational Policies (EPC) and General Education (GEC). These committees mostly deal with issues of curriculum, the plan of essential education and educational policies in general. The resolution asks that the faculty examine these reasons in the light of institutional values and the role of students on campus.

Senate's action is in response to changes in these faculty committees that were made two years ago. The faculty voted to remove the voting privileges of students sitting on these committees. Past attempts to reinstate the votes have failed, but Senate is optimistic this year. Senate has worked with faculty and researched the issue extensively. Reinstating these votes is fundamental to upholding the foundations of this institution. Wartburg College has a tradition of trusting and empowering students to participate in all aspects of campus life; these votes should be no different.

Some members of faculty will say that students do not have the knowledge and understanding necessary to make proper decisions as voting members of these committees. Although students have not attained the degrees that faculty have, students offer valuable insight into academia that only a student perspective

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All I want for Christmas is a job, a 4.0, free tuition, world peace and vacation

AARON HAGEN EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

I know that Christmas is approaching. School work is becoming hectic. The semester is coming to a close. Christmas lights and trees are becoming

omnipresent, and the biggest shopping day of the year is

It's also time to make the Christmas

list. If you are like me, the big talk at Thanksgiving was the Christmas list. For me, it was difficult to create ideas. When I was younger, it was easy-the new toy or a new set of legos. Now, my tastes have matured, which makes generating a list a little tougher.

Here are five items that you won't find on my Christmas list.

1. Playstation 3. While they're the cool new item, I'm content with my PS2. Maybe the graphics are better; maybe the games are better, but is it really worth the money? Not so much.

2. A new cell phone. Yeah, mine only makes calls and takes ridiculously crappy pictures. It doesn't have an MP3. It doesn't have video capabilities. And it's not the size of a paper clip. But that's okay. If I want to listen to music, I'll use my MP3 player. If I want to watch video, I'll use my DVD player. Phones are either becoming so large they'll be the size of a laptop, or they'll become so small, people will lose them.

3. An ipod. I already have one. Granted, it's only a 2 gigabyte, but that's more than enough space for me. I don't need more than 300 songs. That's more than 16 hours of music. I don't have 16 consecutive hours to listen to music.

4. Chicago Cubs. Reports are that the Cubs are for sale.

Even if I had the half a billion to spend, I don't think I would buy them. Even if they're one of the most valued teams in baseball, who would want a losing team?

5. A new car. Even though my car is falling apart, I wouldn't trade it for anything. I think there's a special bond between a college student and his or her car. I realize someday I'll have to get a new car, but not this

However, here are five things that will be on my Christmas

1. World peace and an end to world hunger. I'm not naïve, I know this will more than likely never happen, but it sounds good. And as long as we're dreaming, we might as well dream big.

2. A 4.0 G.P.A. this semester. Once again, I know this will more than likely not happen.

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Play ball; don't whine, says NBA

JOSH DOCKUM ASSISTANT NEWS EDITOR

The NBA is introducing two new rule changes, a new game ball this season and a no whining rule.

Spalding manufactured the new ball. The ball has a new logo, and Spalding says the ball is easier to grip than

the former leather basketball.

The ball features Spalding's Cross Trazzion trademark with a design composed of two interlocking, cross-shaped panels rather than the eight

oblong panels found on traditional basketballs. According to Spalding, the material is a microfiber composite with moisture management that provides superior grip and feel. Also, the new composite material eliminates the need for a break-in period.

"The advancements that Spalding has made to the new game ball ensure that the best basketball players in the world will be playing with the best basketball in the world," NBA Commissioner David Stern

Many players and coaches have a different opinion of the

"It still doesn't feel right," Scott Skiles, Chicago Bulls head coach, said. "It's hard to explain. I've read where they've done all the tests and (they claim) it's not as slippery. I don't agree with that. And most of my guys don't. But the guys are getting use to it."

Former player Steve Kerr added this about the new ball.

"This has much better grip. I dribbled probably eight to 10 balls and they all felt exactly the same, which is really key as a player — you want to have same feel dribbling the

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Higher costs stifle opportunities for higher education

Cutting taxes becomes counter-productive when student loans are affected

TYLER VACHTA ONLINE EDITOR

College. A milestone in achieving the "American Dream," whatever that dream

may be. A post-secondary degree from a technical school, community college or four year program is seen



by many as the ticket toward a successful and fulfilling life, though one can certainly find fulfillment without a degree. It's hard to argue against developing a well-educated populace, so why is that ticket to success becoming so much more expensive? Perhaps directing our frustrations with rising costs at President Ohle and the board of regents is not the right place to start. While one should still question how charges like cable that were once included in the general fund may randomly be pulled out and itemized, the issue of tuition increasing is one that goes beyond the control of Wartburg's administration and into the ballot box.

This philosophy of supporting education to create a stronger society was once reflected in funding for programs. States provided the base support for public universities and the federal Pell Grant program assisted students from low-income families. On average, the

program covered 95 percent of tuition at a four-year college in the 1980s but now covers slightly more than 50 percent of how much students expect to pay for tuition. Something has changed.

Money has changed. A report was released in the 1990s that showed the average earnings over the lifetime of a college graduate were \$1 million more than someone with only a high school diploma. Now tuition is skyrocketing with everyone wondering when it will level out. The average student leaves college to go on to graduate school, buy a house and car and start a family with nearly \$17,000 in debt. Even community college costs are

climbing out of the reach of some students. Wartburg's total fees have gone up approximately six percent per year over the past decade. By my calculations, that means in the next decade the cost to attend Wartburg may well be over \$50,000! The land of opportunity indeed – for those who can afford it.

OK, so this is scary. But now what? The place to start making changes is in our government. Last year Congress voted to cut over \$12 billion in federal student loans over the next five years. Candidates are constantly running on the platform of lowering taxes. I agree that high taxes can be a burden for many families, but these tax cuts are taking more money away from public programs. How can we have tax cuts across the board and have greater support for education at the same time? It's not possible!

Though the time has passed to press candidates about this issue, the opportunity to hold our elected officials accountable on this issue is open: Write your senators and representatives.

It's their obligation and privilege to serve our needs; it's our obligation to voice what those needs are.

Facts and figures courtesy of DecliningByDegrees.org.

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Santa: Increase GPA

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I can only hope any professors who read this will have sympathy for me and give me a few extra points. As a matter of fact, I think all students could use a few extra points. Perhaps in the spirit of giving, our dear professors will give us a little boost in the grade area.

3. Tuition. Who wouldn't want this, when we are paying nearly \$30,000 and a lot of us are knee deep in debt, a year of paid tuition would be a welcome treat. It would be tough to wrap as a present, however.

4. A month off from school. I think we could all use almost

an entire month off from classes, work and other responsibilities. Oh wait, we already have that. However, it seems like forever since the beginning of the year.

5. A job. Being a senior, a job would be nice. I'm not too worried yet, but having that peace of mind would make the next few months a lot less stressful.

Of course, I'm not saying that I wouldn't accept a new car or a Playstation 3 for Christmas, but they won't be at the top of my list this year.

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Attorney: Don't snoop others' e-mail

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Dear C.L.

I got caught snooping. I logged onto my girlfriend's email account and took a look at her e-mails. I've got no excuse for it, except that I was suspicious and paranoid and all sorts of things.

Anyway, I came clean, and (of course) she's mad. And she says that what I did was illegal. That there's a law that makes intercepting e-mails punishable by prison time. I doubt that she'll pursue anything legally, but I would like to know if I've broken some law. Have I?

Signed, Jorge, freshman, Public College or University, Missouri

Jorge:

Is she your girlfriend or ex-

girlfriend? You left that ambiguous in your question, but I can only assume that because there are threats of legal action, you guys aren't in the "picking out curtains" mode anymore.

What she is saying has a kernel of truth to it, but not quite enough to send you to lockup.

There is a law that criminalizes the unauthorized interception of peoples' e-mail and other electronic messages. It's called the Electronic Communications Privacy Act of 1986.

It makes the interception of any electronic communication either by state or private (so yes, ex-boyfriends count) actors illegal.

The penalties vary depending on what you use the information for, and some of them do include jail time.

The thing is, the law is writ-

ten so restrictively, it has almost no application to the average nosy, insecure boyfriend. It really only applies to e-mails that are still in transit. Once they get to their final destination, the ECPA no longer applies.

And in case you take a look at the law yourself, don't be scared by section II, which is titled the Stored Communications Act. It has to do with emails stored by service providers before they're delivered. So, it too, just applies to e-mails in transit.

So to sum up: Is what you did illegal? No. Is it bad form? Yes. You won't face any jail time for this one I don't think. But I am pretty sure it'll cost you a few months of spending Saturday night alone.

NBA changes ball Garnett criticizes whining rule

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ball, and as a shooter, to have that grip, to be able to feel the grooves and your hands and finger tips on the ball and not have it slid off a little bit, that is really important."

In addition to the new ball, the no whining rule is a rule enforced by the referees who are tired of the complaining players and coaches. Breaking the no whining rule triggers a technical foul for a player or coach who overacts in words, behavior or gestures following a referee's call.

Detroit Pistons All-Star forward Rasheed Wallace, the league leader with 16 technicals last season said that the rule is aimed specifically at him.

"The policy is almost like communism," Minnesota Timberwolves forward Kevin Garnett said.

A ball is a ball, if you don't like it too bad, so sad. These professional athletes are making millions to entertain others, and everything is subject to change.

I know how referees feel because I am a certified high school baseball umpire. I know how it feels to hear the screams of players and coaches.

I agree with the NBA's enforcement of this rule. Athletes are role models; they should act appropriately.

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TRUMPET/Variety

Pathways offers help in preparing for finals



Roland Ferrie/Trumpet

Justin Maiers reviews class notes in a private study room on the third floor of Vogel Library.

Studying skills and management of time and stress are crucial to success in classes; cramming increases stress

MATT POPOWSKI PEOPLE/VARIETY EDITOR

With finals less than a week away, students are increasingly busy studying and writing papers. Some students have been preparing for finals since Thanksgiving break, while others may wait until a day or two before their test before they crack open their books and notes.

Students that procrastinate and "cram" for tests, especially during finals, subject themselves to extra anxieties.

Cramming extreme amounts of information within a short period of time reduces longterm retention and decreases testing performances, according to Carla Coates, Pathways associate for testing and advis-

Although some students may have a degree of success with cramming, Vicki Edelnant, Pathways Center director, encourages students to work for the "longer-term learning goal" achieved through regular study habits.

"Procrastination never really does pay off," Elliott Cohen, a junior, said.

Some students consciously "wipe their slates clean" after one final to cram material for their next test. This practice places increased pressures on students who are already under much stress during finals

Molly Wertz, a counselor in counseling services, said stress is a natural human response to which everyone reacts differ-

"A certain degree of anxiety is good," Coates said. It provides motivation for studying, a degree of concern for performing well on tests.

However, overwhelming stress that is not managed well is detrimental.

As students prepare for finals this week, the Pathways Center offers assistance in stress management and study tips.

Pathways provides supplemental instruction sessions for classes, paper and speech consultations in the Writing, Reading and Speaking Lab and one-on-one sessions to discuss study skills, test-taking strategies and time management, as well as counseling services.

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Stress can be immediate (acute stress) and long-term (chronic stress).

Physical symptoms of stress

-Tense muscles, especially in the neck and shoulders

-Excessive sweating and sweaty palms -Rapid heartbeat and/or breathing

-Upset stomach and/or nausea

-Loss of appetite

-Difficulty sleeping



Stress can affect one's thought process, actions and state of mind.

Mental symptoms of stress

- -Become irritable and intolerant of even minor disturbances -Feel irritated or frustrated, lose your temper more often, and yell at others for no reason
- -Find it hard to concentrate or focus on tasks
- -Feel jumpy or exhausted all the time
- -Worry too much about insignificant things
- -Doubt your ability to do things
- -Imagine that events will turn out badly -Feel you are missing opportunities

because you cannot act quickly According to WebMD.com.



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which include being sure to eat, exercise, sleep, plan, prioritize and avoid procrastina-

Wertz said a common concern is that there is never enough time to do everything.

Jeff Stein, assistant professor of communication arts, said time management is key. "Setting aside blocks of time and having the discipline to stick to the plan, with frequent breaks to clear and refresh the mind, works for many students."

"Unpreparedness generally causes testing anxiety," Coates said. Pathways associates said the best study tip is to stay current on learning the material throughout the semester. They advise students to begin preparation for finals two weeks in advance.

Stein gives this advice to those who haven't: "At this Wertz and Coates give stu- point, however, keeping a pos-

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yourself be overwhelmed by the end of term crunch can be very helpful."

For stress relieving activities, Wertz encourages journaling of how time is spent, engaging in conversation, taking deep breaths and walks for fresh air and stepping away from studying when frustrated.

Students have their own strategies for preparing for and surviving finals week. Monica Popowski, a sophomore, said she tracks all relevant dates and activities in her planner and prioritizes them. For study breaks, she said, "Go find your friends and try to laugh as much as possible."

Cohen said he ideally starts reviewing notes and old tests two weeks before finals so he can ask professors questions about materials.

"Stock up on food, and have fun, he added. Cohen spends his study breaks watching movies, relaxing in Cardinal Commons with friends, and going off campus for meals.

Counseling Services will hold a Stress-free Zone from 4 to 8 p.m. on Dec. 11 in the Heritage Ballrooms, where professional massage therapists will provide 10-minute massages. Other activities include coloring and making stress balls.

"It's a time to take a break and play," Wertz said.

Sign-up for the massages will be Friday at 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the student center.

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HIV researchers study "controllers"

Some never develop AIDS symptoms

WARREN KING MCT NEWS

Twenty years ago, as the growing AIDS epidemic was sweeping the world, Rod Fichter got the devastating news that he had the deadly virus. At the time, more than 16,000 Americans a year were dying of AIDS, and no drugs to treat it had yet been approved.

But to Fichter's amazement, he never had a single symptom. His immune system has been fine, and he has never needed AIDS drugs.

It turns out that Fichter is among about five percent of all HIV-positive people who are "controllers," people whose bodies naturally keep the virus at extremely low levels.

"Living one day at a time became years at a time," Fichter, 55, a former Air Force pilot who now is the Seattle division manager for Ameriflight, an air-cargo company, said.

Now Fichter is among about 2,000 other controllers worldwide whose entire genetic makeups will be carefully ex-

amined by an international team of scientists as part of the quest to discover an AIDS vaccine or better drugs to fight the epidemic. The hope is that somewhere deep in the controller's genomes lies an explanation of why their immune systems have the ability to keep the virus at bay.

"It's a fishing expedition," Dr. Julie McElrath, the longtime HIV researcher, said.

Already they have learned that some HIV carriers have a genetic abnormality that allows the virus to enter vulnerable immune cells. They have learned that others whose immune cells have certain proteins on their surfaces also fare well against HIV.

But neither of those factors is universal with the long-term survivors. So researchers will be searching for other factors that keep the virus under control.

Half of the controllers in the study are "viremic," defined as



Ken Lambert/MCT

Rod Fichter, division manager at Ameriflight in Seattle, said living one day at a time as an HIV-positive person has turned into living years at a time. He was diagnosed 20 years ago.

having 2,000 or fewer viruses per deciliter of blood. The other half are "elite," and have about 50 or fewer viruses per deciliter.

The study will compare the genes of both types of controllers with 2,000 typical HIV patients with much higher levels of virus.

AIDS epidemic still on the rise

Changes in the world epidemic since 2004, according to new United Nations figures:

People living with HIV/AIDS
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Groom fatally shot by undercover police officer

ALLISON GENDAR MCTNEWS

The undercover police officer who fired the opening salvo in a 50-shot barrage that felled a Queens man on his wedding day told his story Tuesday.

The detective insisted he identified himself as a cop long before he fired on the car carrying Sean Bell and his buddies.

"This cop screamed, 'Police!' and he had his shield out," attorney Philip Karasyk told the New York Daily News.

The News is withholding the name of the detective to avoid compromising his safety or his undercover operations.

The detective held his fire despite Bell clipping him with his Nissan Altima, said Karasyk, who refused to name his client, even as police sources confirmed his identity. "Once the car hit him, he jumped to the side," Karasyk said.

But when the cop saw the man sitting in the passenger seat whom police sources identified as Joseph Guzman, reach into his waistband, the officer fired the first of 11 rounds at the men.

Four other officers, believing they were being shot at, began firing at the car, Karasyk said. When the gunfire was over, Bell was dead and Guzman and another man, Trent Benefield, were badly wounded.

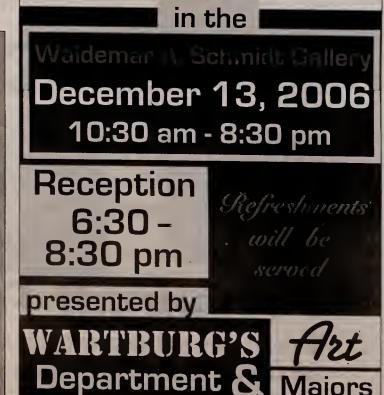
"The other officers believed the shots were coming from the vehicle," Karasyk said. "They only did so in this case because they were in mortal fear for their lives." Queens District Attorney Richard Brown has vowed to get to the bottom of the shooting that has outraged black New Yorkers and that Mayor Michael Bloomberg said looked like "excessive force."

Karasyk, however, said the

five cops involved in the shooting, none of whom ever fired his gun on the job before, had no qualms about telling their story before a Queens grand jury.







TRUMPET/News

Service trip to sell hunks calendar for fundraising

Wartburg males help raise money for trip to Sobriety House, Inc. in Denver

CHELSEA DELONG STAFF WRITER

A calendar featuring at least 12 Wartburg males, a Wartburg Hunks Calendar, will be sold to help finance a student-led winter break service trip to Denver.

Other service groups plan a variety of fund-raising projects to support winter trips.

The calendar is being designed by Amanda Lundberg, Katie Schwartzkopf and Katie Ryan, who are all participating in the March trip.

Ryan, a junior, and Schwartzkopf, a senior, are leading the trip, which will involve working with the Sobriety House, Inc. in Denver to repair rehabilitation rooms for recovering alcoholics. All sales from the calendar will benefit the service trip.

"We thought it would be funny, since we're one of the only all-girl service trips," Schwartzkopf said. She said an informal poll was conducted

among some Wartburg students to determine the calendar candidates, who were then approached about photo

The calendar will be printed by the Royal Paper Company and cost \$12. Schwartzkopf said it will be available to the entire campus, but the trip members are hoping Wartburg's female students and friends of the calendar's subjects will be the biggest buyers. "It'd be fun to have [a calendar] with their friends in it," she

Despite a couple photos Lundberg called controversial, the group is not expecting much debate from the student body. She said the calendar is just for fun and is not meant to offend anybody. She is hoping people will buy them to help support service at Wartburg.

Other winter break service trips plan to offer fundraising products as well. Tyler Vachta and Reda Chester, juniors,



Roland Ferrie/Trumpet

Amanda Lundberg shoots a photograph of Scott Kempel for the Wartburg Hunks Calendar,

are leading a Central City Lutheran Mission group to San Bernardino, Calif. and will be selling Rada culinary knives. A second fund-raiser in conjunction with Krispy Kreme is should contact Schwartzkopf, also in the works, according to

Anyone wishing to purchase a Wartburg Hunks Calendar Ryan or Lundberg.

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Jazz band and symphony to perform innovative concerts

Concerts feature contemporary big band jazz and classic "Nutcracker Suite" with dancers

WHITNEY FREE STAFF WRITER

This weekend will be a musical one for Wartburg that will include a Knightliters Jazz Band concert and a Wartburg Community Symphony con-

The Knightliters will perform at 7:30 p.m. Friday in Neumann Auditorium.

"The concert will include a variety of contemporary big band jazz featuring several improvisation solos," Director Allan Jacobson said.

Janel Harms said he thinks the band will be ready in time. "The band practices every

Wednesday night from 8:30 to 10 p.m. or later, as well as some Sundays," Harms said.

Bass guitarist Bryan Odeen, a sophomore, said mistakes sometimes give the music more character.

"Jazz isn't all about being perfect as much as having that feel and those rhythms in your head," he said.

Odeen said the band has been a great experience for him, both musically and socially.

"Knightliters has been a great stress relief and community builder for me," Odeen said.

Harms said he enjoys the atmosphere too, but especially appreciates Jacobson's work.

"He is a great director who knows how to get things done and still have a good time doing it," Harms said. "Without him here, I don't think the jazz band would be what it is to-

Odeen is excited for the performance and hopes others will be too.

"It will be a fun show and I hope to see a good number of people there. We have a lot of great musicians playing solos and we are a fun group to

watch," he said.

The program will also include the jazz group 9th Street.

Janice Wade, director of the Wartburg Community Symphony, is excited for this year's special performance of "The Nutcracker Suite" and "Christmas with Mr. Grump." The symphony will perform at 2 p.m. Saturday in Neumann Auditorium.

"The Nutcracker" will include dancers, and narration will accompany "Mr. Grump."

Ranae Bamsey of the Kinetic Energy School of Movement in Waverly choreographed and

directed the dancers, which includes four Wartburg stu-

Amy Newton, a senior, said her favorite part of the show is getting to dance with others who enjoy it as much as she

Peter Hamlin of Cedar Falls, will narrate as the orchestra plays "Mr. Grump."

Wartburg students in the orchestra practice together three times a week, and once a week with the community mem-

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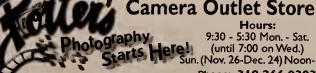
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Peth prepares for 400 win mark

Former Hawkeye and Div. II coach brings winning tradition to Wartburg basketball



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Above: Coach Dick Peth, center, talks to his team during a time-out. Left: Peth and Assistant Coach Oliver Drake look on during a recent game at Coe. The Knights did not come closer to Peth's 400th victory, as Wartburg lost in overtime 92-88.

AARON HAGEN EDITOR-IN-CHIEF

A coach who has never had a losing season, holds a record for most wins at a large university, has played for a hall of fame coach and is on the brink of 400 career wins has the right to be a little cocky.

But that's not Dick Peth. The head men's basketball coach cares more about his team than his personal accomplishments. This is a coach whose best memories come from keeping up with players. This is a man who has found his home at Div. III Wartburg, even when other opportunities could have been sought.

"I've never been into the personal aspect of it. I know that as a coach you don't even think or consider these things," Peth said. "I think all we think about is what we need to do to get our team better on a daily basis."

With six more wins this season, Peth will achieve the 400 career win mark. Thus far, 173 of those wins have come at Wartburg.

Peth found his way to Waverly after spending many years as an assistant coach before eventually taking the head coaching position at Div. II University of Denver.

He spent 12 seasons at the helm and still holds the record for the most wins in history. The university decided to move up to Div. I and therefore disqualified themselves for postseason play for six to

eight years while the transition was made. Peth decided to move on and found himself at Wartburg.

"We love everything about Wartburg," Peth said. "We've had some great opportunities from a coaching standpoint. It's been a great place to raise a family, so we have no second thoughts."

Peth learned the importance of family values while playing for hall of fame coach Lute Olson at the University of Iowa.

"With him and his coaching staff, I really looked up to those guys dramatically," Peth said. "I certainly learned a lot about basketball in playing there, but one of the things I really learned was about family."

Peth, who was captain of a Big Ten championship team in 1979, explained that to this day, Olson brings his former athletes and coaches together at the Final Four for dinner. With the schedule Wartburg confronts in the next weeks, Peth will be challenged to achieve his milestone.

"We are going to be challenged each and every night," Peth said. "That's what we tried to do with the schedule was to play the best schedule that we possibly could to prepare ourselves for league play."

The milestone may possibly come against conference rival Luther. Former Wartburg assistant coach Mark Franzen, who coached with Peth, is in his first season as Luther's head basketball coach.

If the 400th career win is on the line for the Jan. 6 game, the win will be important for many people, but for teamoriented Peth, he will be going after just another Iowa Conference victory on his way to the next milestone.

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TRUMPET/Sports

Baseball program offers clinics for youth

Rented storage facility provides replacement for lack of PEC for Wartburg athletic teams

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The players and coaches affectionately refer to it as "Wartburg East." The new home of Wartburg baseball, softball and track and field is in an old factory storage facility, and some students are turning it into a teaching facility.

Members of Wartburg's baseball program are offering training for local middle and high school baseball players during an eight-week hitting and pitching league this win-

Most participants are Waverly-Shell Rock students who are fifth graders through seniors, according to Head Baseball Coach Joel Holst. They meet for one and a half hours each week in one of three hitting sessions, or for one pitching and catching session.

The hitting sessions are at 11 a.m. and 12:40 p.m. Sundays, with a pitching session at 2:20 p.m.. Another hitting session takes place on Monday at 7 p.m. The clinics are being directed and staffed by Holst, his coaching staff and current

Wartburg baseball players.

"All of our players signed up for at least five of the eight dates to help," Holst said. "We have three of our coaches who handle offensive sessions and we have three of our coaches who handle the pitching and catching sessions."

Through the first two weekends, more than 75 kids received instruction for the baseball diamond. With the first three weekend sessions completed, there will be two more in December with another three in January. Holst said he is very happy with the response he has seen to the

"The overall goal is to give great instruction through the eight weeks. I hope what we're able to see are the kids seeing progress of getting better in a fundamental standpoint," Holst said.

The eight-week hitting and pitching league replaces the baseball school that the college has hosted in the past, usually in late January. The league also replaces the baseball school as the program's top fund-raiser

for the annual baseball trip.

"All of the money brought in goes towards our trip to Phoenix this spring," Holst said.

This will be the second consecutive trip to Phoenix for the baseball team. In past years, with Holst directing, the team has taken trips to Florida. The schedule has not been set for the spring trip, but the team expects to play a lot of baseball in a relatively short amount of time, according to Holst.

Past teams have played as many as 15 games in six days while in Florida and Arizona.

Holst said that there are limitations because of space issues at their new home. The building, which Wartburg is renting for use by the sports teams, includes four batting cages and minimal room for throwing, but the program is trying to make positives of negatives while the new PEC is being constructed.

"The league concepts that we have here are really very positive things that we haven't done for awhile," Holst said. "That is an example of a positive thing that has come from



Luke Shanno/Trumpet

Baseball player Dillon Meyer helps a clinic student during a hitting drill

a facility where we have to deal with some negative issues such as space."

The baseball team has been using the Wartburg East facility since Nov. 4 and plans to use the facility until the first part of February.

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Sports Viewpoint

Michigan gets ousted by coaches and BCS computers

ASSISTANT SPORTS EDITOR

The Ohio State Buckeyes and the Florida Gators. Like it or not, that will be the match-up in the BCS championship. Every year a well-deserving team is omitted from the title game. This year, that team is Michi-

Theoretically, by beating No. Arkansas, Florida should not have jumped Michigan in the BCS standings. The Gators made a 66-point swing in the coaches' poll. That type of the Big 10 is weaker this year

move is not indicative of a 10point win over a ninth-ranked team. It is indicative of the voters not wanting a Michigan/ Ohio State rematch. Plain and simple, Florida was not voted into the championship game. Michigan was voted out. And for whom did Ohio State coach Jim Tressel vote? No one. He opted not to participate in the coaches' poll this week.

Even though ESPN claims that Florida has the toughest schedule in the nation, to say

may not be entirely accurate. The Big 10 has the first, third, and seventh team in the final BCS rankings. Furthermore, the Big 10 is sending seven of its 11 schools to a bowl game.

However, if No. 2 USC had

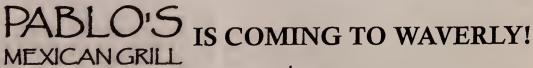


won against their cross-town rivals UCLA, neither Michigan nor Florida would be in the title game. However, USC lost 13-9 and will now face Michigan in the "First-Place-Losers" Rose Bowl. One could even make the argument that USC, now with losses to two sub-par teams, no longer deserves to be in a BCS game.

The BCS will continue to make mistakes. For example, Notre Dame is in a BCS bowl. In the official BCS Selection Policies and Procedures, there are ways for Notre Dame specifically to automatically qualify. In fact, the Fighting Irish have their own provision.

Out is No. 7 Wisconsin at 11-1, and out is No. 9 Auburn. In comes Notre Dame's revenue and TV ratings. Whether Notre Dame deserves a BCS berth or not, one thing is clear: As long as there's a human element in the selection of BCS teams, discussion and controversy will continue.

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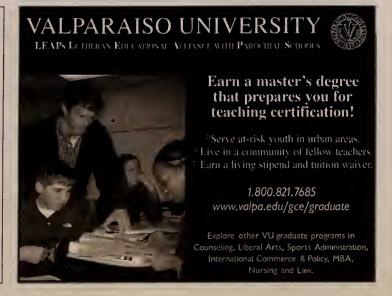


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TRUMPET/Sports

Knights lose to rival Coe in OT

Veterans lead squad; team looks forward to Div. I opponent, UNI Panthers

AUSTIN DRAUDE STAFF WRITER

Despite a 3-2 record and a preseason No. 5 Iowa Conference ranking, the Knights have proved they are worthy of contending with top teams. Wartburg's played against stiff competition, taking No. 18 Coe and Div. II power CSU-Pueblo into overtime before falling in each of the games.

This year's squad is led by veterans Nick Gullickson, a senior, and Lee Nelson, a junior, as well as sophomore guard Cashes Mason, who was named the Iowa Conference player of the week last week after averaging 17 points a game and shooting 14 for 18 from the field in last week's Snyder Classic at Nebraska Wesleyan.

"I'm happy for him," Danny Stark said. "He can score, he knows how to get to the basket, and he's getting better at shooting."

The Knights' most recent test was a 92-88 overtime loss to Coe, in which both teams saw five players reach double figures. Nelson and Gullickson led the way for Wartburg, with 19 and 18 points, respectively.

Wartburg had a hot night from three-point range, shooting 15 for 26, including 7 of 8 in the second half. Freshman guard Tyler Etheridge, who drilled his only shot from outside, said that despite the Knights' hot hands, they can't focus on the offensive half of their game.

"We've actually been shooting the ball really well, almost

every game," Etheridge said. "We can't rely on our shooters, though. We've got to step up the rest of our game."

Stark echoed Etheridge's concerns, emphasizing the defense as a critical part of the Knights' game that didn't come through in the clutch.

"We just had a couple of mistakes on the defensive end that kind of [hurt] us," Stark said. "We switched to a 1-3-1 zone, but that's when our defense gave up quite a few lay-ups."

The Knights held a 39-37 lead going into halftime; an edge that the players said amounted to a huge confidence boost.

"We had the lead and we weren't even playing our best game," Etheridge said. "We realized that we were up by not even playing our best game and that kind of gave us more confidence and a more aggressive nature coming out for the second half."

Coe's Rob Hanna scored a career-high 24 points, including four three-pointers. Etheridge noted that Hanna's points were coming from all over the

"He had a really good game, knocking down the outside shot and then taking the ball to the rim a couple of times," Etheridge said.

Going into break, the Knights will see road action against Augustana College (Ill.) and Clarke College before their marquee match-up with

local Div. I foe UNI. Etheridge says, however, that the team needs to worry about its own flaws before focusing on how to handle the opponents.

"We just have to do the little things like coach always tells us and to worry more about ourselves than the other team. We have things that we need to improve on," Etheridge said.

"It's fun being in that big of a venue, and you just go out there and play as hard as you can," Stark said. "It's like when we played Iowa last year."

"We just need to play hard and see what happens," Etheridge said.

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Roland Ferrie/Trumpet

Guard Cashes Mason drives past a Kohawk defender as teammate Nick Kramer looks on at Coe Tuesday.

Scholar has hopes for job or pro soccer

FROM PAGE 12

or his outstanding performance as a Div.

Kibombo-Lugujjo hasn't always been in the spotlight, however. He has humble beginnings going back to his childhood.

Born in Kampala, Uganda, Kibombo-Lugujjo has played soccer his whole life, but until he arrived in the United States and at Wartburg four years ago, he had never played at a higher level in an organized, competitive style of game.

"Soccer in Uganda was never serious, we had no coach or training time; we just fooled around and had fun playing games," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "I didn't come to Wartburg expecting to play soccer; my main focus was for academics."

As a chemistry major and an engineering science and mathematics minor, Kibombo-Lugujjo will graduate in December and has already applied to a handful of opportunities in Europe," Conlon said. graduate schools in hopes to continue his education in chemical engineering and is ested MLS teams are D.C. United, Colocer at the next level.

"He's keeping his options open and if God graces him the ability to play, he might take it, but his first goal is to enhance his

career through his major," Conlon said.

"I'm not really a competitive person," Kibombo-Lugujjo said. "I'm someone who loves the feeling of winning and I know

that you can't be your best all the time."

Conlon said Kibombo-Lugujjo may have opportunities to play professionally other places than with the Crew.

"He's received interest from three other teams in America and maybe some other

Conlon added that the three other internot sure he wants to continue playing soc- rado Rapids and the Kansas City Wizards, but no tryouts have been set up.

Even if Kibombo-Lugujjo doesn't make it to the pros with this tryout, the Des Moines Menace, a semi-professional premier developmental league team, has already offered him a roster spot for the summer of 2007.

Conlon has full confidence Kibombo-Lugujjo can make it to the MLS under the right conditions.

"He needs to show well on the right day, but Harrison is good enough to play in the league. I do not doubt that," Conlon said. "We have to make sure other people see

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Wrestlers prepare for big tourneys

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match, including four victories by Wartburg's ranked wrestlers. Eighth-ranked Helvey, seventh-ranked Wernimont, fourth-ranked Djoumessi and second-ranked Miller led the Knights during the match.

Head Coach Jim Miller was pleased with the performance at their first dual of the sea-

"It was a good meet for us. We've got to keep progressing, we've got to keep going," Miller said.

Most of the matches were major decisions with the exception of a technical fall from Wernimont and a pin fall by senior heavyweight Brian Borchers.

The victory over the Duhawks kept the Knights Iowa Conference dual win-streak alive, and pushed the total number of consecutive IIAC dual victories to 106.

Wartburg split up the squad on Nov. 18, sending wrestlers to both the Auggie Brute-Adidas Open at Augsburg College (Minn.) and the Coe Open in Cedar Rapids.

Senior heavyweight Blake Gillis picked up an individual title at the Coe Open, as did Wernimont and Zastrow. Struthers garnered a secondplace finish on the day.

At the Auggie Brute-Adidas Open, Borchers picked up the lone title for the Knights in the heavyweight class.

The Knights are preparing to host the Dick Walker Invite at Northern University High School in Cedar Falls Satur-

Tuesday, Dec. 19, the Knights travel to Las Vegas where they will host the Desert Duals. Top teams from around the country will be in attendance at the Desert Duals.

After the Desert Duals, the Knights return to action Jan. 5-6 when they split up their squad for the Cornell Invitational in Grinnell and the North South Duals in Philadelphia. The team will return to Cedar Falls Jan. 13-14 for the National Wrestling Coaches Association/ Cliff Keen National Duals.

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Soccer star to tryout for MLS



Aaron Hagen/Trumpet

Kibombo-Lugujjo gets extra practice in before his tryouts for the MLS.

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Moving into the major leagues is a big step for any Div. I athlete and is almost unheard of for an athlete at a Div. III school. However, one of Wartburg's most decorated soccer players has the chance to make the leap into Major League Soccer.

Harrison Kibombo-Lugujjo, a senior, is traveling to Columbus, Ohio from Friday to Sunday for a tryout with the MLS team the Columbus Crew.

Kibombo-Lugujjo sought out by the Crew and Wartburg Soccer Coach Jim Conlon helped to set up and finalize some of the tryout details.

"We know there are multiple training sessions," Conlon said. "There will be a two-hour session and a three-hour session."

Conlon and other members of the Wartburg men's soccer team are helping Kibombo-Lugujjo prepare by having some extra training sessions to continue improving his skills.

"We are just trying to help Harrison understand his Godgiven abilities and what some of his flaws are," Conlon said. "We're trying to get him to understand how to be a complete player."

Kibombo-Lugujjo had an impressive 2006 season that included racking up 28 goals that put him in a tie with Verne Houston's 2004 performance for most goals in a season.

He's also tallied 74 career goals and holds the record for most shots in a career with

Kibombo-Lugujjo is a highly respected player in the nation and has earned impressive honors including the 2006 Iowa Conference MVP, 1st Team All-West Region, and 1st Team All-American.

This isn't the first time Kibombo-Lugujjo has been in the national spotlight. He was featured in the October 13, 2005 issue of Sports Illustrated

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Wrestlers blank Loras in first dual

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The Knights were on the road Saturday as they took the title at the Simpson Invitational, with five wrestlers winning titles.

Seventh-ranked freshman Aaron Wernimont (157 lbs.), fourth-ranked sophomore Romeo Djoumessi (184 lbs.), senior Brian Borchers (hwt.), junior Robert Struthers (125 lbs.) and senior Jason Zastrow (174 lbs.) all took home top honors for the Knights as senior T.J. Miller (197 lbs.) and junior Jacob Helvey (133 lbs.) each placed second.

The second-ranked Wartburg Knights wrestling team kicked off their first dual match last Thursday night with a shutout victory on the road against Loras College.

The Knights outscored the Duhawks 39-0, winning every

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Women's basketball tops Coe in conference opener

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The Wartburg women's basketball team is taking back-to-back wins into their first home game after wins over Coe Tuesday and Bethany Lutheran College (Minn.) Friday.

The Knights debut in their new home at UNI's West Gym Wednesday when they take on Augustana College (Ill.). Wartburg carries a 3-2 record into Wednesday's match-up against the 0-6 Vikings. Game time for Wednesday is slated for 7:30 p.m.

"Augustana is another program like ours. They have a new coach and a new system," Head Coach Bob Amsberry said. "We aren't going to take anything for granted. We are going to try and do what we do well. If we can do that we will be successful."

After Wednesday's game the Knights return to action Friday, Dec. 15 when they take on Nebraska Wesleyan in a 7 p.m. showdown at the West Gym.

The Knights topped the Kohawks 71-55 led by a strong performance by guard Elizabeth Campbell who ended with 19 points and five rebounds. Guard LaToshia Burrell went for 14 points while forward Alecia Schoonover pulled down nine of the team's 44 rebounds on the night.

Wartburg hit over 44 percent from the floor and hit 67 percent from the free-throw line in the contest. This marks the first IIAC win of the year for the team, and for Amsberry at

Wartburg.

"Anytime you can get a win in the league, especially on the road, it is big," Amsberry said.

Friday night the Knights traveled to Mankato to take on a 3-0 Bethany Lutheran team who was averaging over 80 points per game.

"Going into the game, we knew they were a high powered offense," Amsberry said. "We needed to hold them down a little bit, and we needed to score. I was pleased with how we executed offensively."

Wartburg used strong performances from Burrell and Campbell as they led scoring with 18 and 20 points, respectively. Ashton Donahue had 11 points in the victory for the Knights.

Wartburg held a nine-point lead at half, but saw it diminish to a threepoint lead in the second half before the offense turned it back on.

"It was a telling time of what our team was like. When they cut it to three we were either going to fold or we were going to hang together and get tough and pull it out," Amsberry said. "This showed me and the coaching staff that we are maturing as a team."

Wartburg hit 40 percent from behind the arch and hit 71 percent from the free-throw line in the contest as they walked away with the 82-67 vic-

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Amanda Mulholland drives past a Coe defender en route to a 71-55 win over the Kohawks.